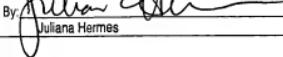
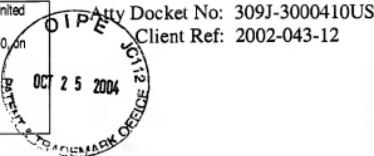


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### AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
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### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 20, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.